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PROSPERITY NOW ABROAD IN LAND

Federal Reserve System And Other Measures of Democratic Origin Producing Good Results.

Muskogee, Okla., April 27.—The country is smiling with prosperity as a result of the federal reserve bank act, and as the system grows older the smile will grow into a laugh, according to Chas. S. Hamlin, governor of the federal reserve bank board, who spoke before the Southern Commercial Congress here today.

Mr. Hamlin pointed out that "while formerly we had the worst financial system in the civilized world we now have the soundest."

He answered advocates of a single centralized bank by asserting that because of the large territory involved twelve decentralized banks are preferable to one centralized bank and that the federal reserve board holds all the authority of a centralized bank.

Credit For Farmers.
"A financial panic such as that of 1907 is now impossible," Mr. Hamlin continued. "In time of financial stringency a farmer deserving of credit can get it. We have a real elastic, a real local, liquid currency. The federal reserve board is empowered at such times to put out enormous sums sufficient to disprove any idea of panic."

Dr. Chas. Brand, chief of the division of markets and rural organization of the United States department of agriculture, declared that the South farmer and ranchman has realized the need of being more provident. The time is passing he said, when products of the farm and ranch are shipped to market and then bought back as food stuffs.

Broader Country Life.
Co-operative societies throughout the South are being organized to utilize home products. "As the result the farm promises to hold the young people by offering a broader life," he said. "Bridge the gap between the ordinary boy and girl and the agriculture college or industrial institute and you have accomplished much toward the solution of the farm problem," was the advice offered by H. E. Blackless, commissioner of agriculture for Mississippi, another speaker.

Magic City in Field.
Although the place of the 1916 meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress will not be determined until a meeting of the board of directors several months after the close of the present congress, spirited contests already have arisen. Overtures have been received from Little Rock, Ark., Cincinnati, Charleston, S. C., Chattanooga, Tenn., Roanoke, Va., Raleigh, N. C., Baltimore, St. Louis and Richmond.

The attendance was largely increased by the arrival of scores of delegates who were unable to attend the opening meeting.
"Cash markets for locally grown produce should be established. The country is the important thing and in lending a hand to help the country to prosperity, a city is helping itself to prosperity," declared M. Bradford Knapp head of the farmers' co-operative division of the United States department of agriculture.

A Peeved Planter.

To Col. Robert M. Mixon, a planter of South Carolina the American farmer generally is like an "ostrich that sticks his head in the sand and won't see."
He asserted that the farmer of today refuses to see business judgment and supply that for which there is demand. Col. Mixon urged the protection through governmental or State agencies of agriculture in the Southern cotton States by warehouse system modeled after that of South Carolina under which the farmer may store his crop and obtain a certificate of storage on which he can negotiate a loan.

POCAHONTAS NOTES.

Pocahontas, April 27.
John Black, for fifteen years at Vivian, is expected here today to be checked in as agent to succeed S. N. Worley, who has been promoted to general yardmaster in charge of operating Tug Fork branch. Mr. Black is already well known here, having served as cashier under former agent William Black some seventeen years ago, and was in town Monday shaking hands with old acquaintances and familiarizing himself with the agency before being checked in. Mr. Worley has been with us about two years and his stay here has been very cordial. Mr. Black will move his family here within a few days.
Clean-up day was well observed here yesterday and the ladies of the Civic League came in for congratulations on the well-engineered plans and the amount of good accomplished. Pocahontas has a new distinction and enjoys the reputation of being clean.
The town council held a short session Monday night, at which time A. Goodman, Hoster Brewing Company and John Merrinack were refunded \$600 each on account of not getting licenses. Considerable talk was passing around the street to the effect that Kwas Brothers would ask for a transfer to the Goodman corner, but on account of a previous ruling, there was no application made. There were several bills passed and the adjournment came quickly.
Daniel Smith, traveling passenger

agent of the Pennsylvania railroad, with headquarters at Columbus, was a caller at the local office yesterday. Mr. Smith is well known here and his trips to look forward to.

PROUD OF SONS.

The Graham Daily News of Wednesday says: Hoyt Warren's boys are home from the Harris Medical College at Nashville, the well known college school, where dentists, pharmacists and doctors are moulded. Gleaves Warren spent seven years at the institution, taking a three years course in pharmacy and later a four year course in medicine, having graduated in medicine this spring, and came home a full-fledged doctor. He probably will be associated with Dr. Lomax, the Bluefield colored physician. Dade, the older brother, will finish his dentistry at Nashville next year. Hoyt is proud of his two sons and he has a right to be, for they have made good and are a credit to their race.

BIG FIRE AT DAMASCUS.

Five Buildings Destroyed With a Total Loss of \$6,000.

Damascus, Va., April 24.—Fire, originating in a moving picture theatre last night through the film becoming ignited, burned to the ground five buildings before it finally was got under control by the volunteer fire company, which did heroic work. The entire town appeared at one time in danger of being destroyed. The following buildings were burned: Moving picture house, owned by C. C. Craft; broom factory, owned by H. A. Ford; J. W. Mann, jewelry store; C. A. Coles, barber shop and the residence of Wiley Sullivan. The total damage is estimated at \$6,000. The local telephone system was also put out of commission, as was the electric light plant, the town being in darkness.

Mr. T. M. Osborne fell during the excitement attending the fire and suffered a broken arm.

Cove Creek News.

The farmers are busy sewing oats in the community.

Miss Mary Gregory and her brother Otto were shopping in Bluefield last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Robinson spent last Tuesday at Mrs. Agnes Compton. Miss Lizzie Compton spent last Wednesday at Mr. B. P. Stowers.

Mrs. Lee Fox, of Northfork, W. Va., is visiting her father Mr. T. E. Gregory.

Mrs. R. C. Fox and Miss Cecil Robinson who have been visiting on Walker's Creek returned home last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Gregory spent last Tuesday at Mr. Sam Gregory's. Mrs. Jannie Compton spent last Sunday at Mrs. Agnes Compton.

Mr. John Crabtree and family spent last Sunday at Will Crockett's.

Miss Mary Gregory was the guest of Miss Edith Shuffelbarger last Sunday.

Mrs. Charlie Brown is visiting her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Jim Higginbotham.

Mr. Oliver Crabtree and family spent last Saturday at Mr. John Crabtree's.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Steel spent last Saturday and Sunday at Mr. Tom Lamberts.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kincaid spent last Sunday at Mr. Jim Higginbotham. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker spent last Saturday and Sunday at Mr. Granville Carpers.

Mr. William Robinson spent last Sunday at Mr. B. P. Stowers.

Mr. Steve Fox and family spent last Sunday at Mr. Andy Fox's.

Mrs. Sallie Shannon spent last Sunday with Miss. Missouri Stowers.

John Bunney Dead.

John Bunney is dead. The most photographed man in American has been carried off from the stage, where he played so long and played so well. One can scarcely look at the old films on which his face is shown without a ghostly feeling that the dead is looking forth from the other still wrapped in the pleasure and pain of this human world.
It is a great thing to entertain people; there are not many who have the are of making others forget their cares and surrender to the influence of mirth and pleasure. Not as a clown in coarseness and rudeness—but in a refined and rollicking merriment that caught and carried thousands of audiences out of the seas of laughter. John Bunney fulfilled what seemed to him his mission. He filled it so well that none appears able to take his place.—Richmond Virginian.

WE CELEBRATE.

This issue of the Clinch Valley News marks the 18th anniversary of the present ownership and management of the paper. This is the longest period, we believe, that the paper has run under any one ownership unchanged. The paper has the largest paid up list it ever had, and is still growing. A large number of our present subscribers have been with us from the beginning, and many of them for years before. On this beautiful May morning, in this beautiful, rich country, surrounded as we are, our unbounded appreciation is expressed first, to a Beneficent Providence, and also to our host of kind, charitable and sympathetic friends. There is something materially and decidedly wrong when a citizen of this beautiful country, living among the good people of this good country, is not happy and contented, and the wrong is not found in the people or the country, but in the man himself. The editor of this paper finds no fault with anything or anybody except himself, and he is hopeful and determined to take a fresh grip on life, keep young and serve his fellow man more and better than ever before.

B. B. BUCHANAN HIGHLY HONORED

Smythe County Senator Named To Responsible Position Under Federal Government—Honor To Southwest.

(Richmond Virginian.)
In few men in the public life of Virginia today have the people imposed their confidence and respect to just the degree that it has been given to Senator B. B. Buchanan, of Smyth county. For this reason his appointment as general counsel for national banks in the hands of receivers will cause hearty and genuine congratulations to be showered on him from his friends and admirers throughout Virginia.

The most recent achievement of Senator Buchanan was his service to Virginia in the development of a new system of tax legislation. Through long, arduous months as a member of the State tax commission, and through even more trying weeks in the Legislature of Virginia, Senator Buchanan piloted the system he advocated to a highly successful conclusion. This was but an evidence of the sort of service he has rendered the State for many years. Because of the character of previous service he had gained the confidence of his fellow legislators in a degree that assured him their respect in whatever degree they might feel impelled to take issue with him. Because he had the information that gave him the ability to speak with authority Senator Buchanan in this, as in other matters, was successful. Because he has shown in his work for Virginia a thoroughly trained and well balanced intelligence, combined with a sterling character, officials of the national government realize that he is the man to be chosen for a highly honorable position and important work for the nation.

POUNDING MILL NOTES.

Pounding Mill, April 28.—On Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock the three room cottage belonging to Mrs. Joseph Pruett and occupied by her son, Peery, was burned. Although Mrs. Pruett was in the next room, entertaining a relative, the entire household effects, except a washing machine, at the kitchen door, were consumed, as there had been no fire in the room for a few days. The room was covered with several thicknesses of paper and burned rapidly. Friends and relatives have made them up a nice little purse.

On Monday night at six o'clock, the six room house, belonging to W. B. Steele, known as the Lambert house, on the mountain farm, was burned. This house was worth from \$800 to \$1,000, with no insurance. The family expected to move Monday.

On Sunday night at the Christian Church, Rev. T. Hundley, financial agent for the Virginia Christian College, made a very forceful speech in behalf of the institution. A nice little sum was subscribed by members of the Christian church and others to help clear the college of indebtedness. Rev. W. S. Bullard, of Tazewell, led the prayer in behalf of missionary work. The service was thoroughly enjoyed by a large congregation.

Sunday School was organized at the Church of God last Sunday at 2 o'clock, with forty pupils and teachers present. Prayer service was held immediately afterwards. This gives those living at a distance an opportunity to attend the service.

Mrs. W. B. Steele is Superintendent and Rev. G. R. Thomas assistant. Rev. W. S. Bullard, secretary and treasurer. All are invited to the services each Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Altizer accompanied their little daughter, Lena, to Richlands Sunday afternoon, where she attends the High School.

Mrs. R. K. Gillespie visited relatives at Tazewell yesterday and motored to the Cove to see Mr. Bowen, who is ill.

Miss Annie Steele, a graduate of Piedmont Business College, after a weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Steele on the Branch, returned to Lynchburg to work in the office and wait for a position, which is in sight.

Mrs. Tom Steele spent Monday here with relative, Mrs. W. B. Steele, and reports that she is now grandmother to a fine granddaughter having arrived on the 24th of last February, to her daughter, Mrs. J. Richard Franklin, of Bassett, Va.

The Womans Christian Temperance Union will meet next Sunday at 4 p. m., at the church. All members are urged to be present, and all others are cordially invited.

Yesterday and today we were blessed with two fine rains which were badly needed.

Mrs. Lou Emma Young, is spending a week with Miss Rebecca Davis during Mrs. Davis absence in Cincinnati. Several friends called last week to note the improvement in the bungalow, which is now one of the nicest places in this section.

C. P. Williams left yesterday for Richlands to undergo an operation for gall stones.

The following ladies were shopping in Tazewell Monday: Mesdames C. H. Trayer, G. C. McLain and W. G. Gillespie.

C. H. Myers, agent of the N. & W. at this place, has the grip, but it has not yet put him to bed.

Mrs. Al. Matrin and son, Fred and wife and the children, of Steelburg, came up Sunday to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. Sam Ward was so unfortunate today, as to lose twelve fat hogs at Steelburg, that were being driven from Wardell to this place for shipment.

The hogs were overcome with heat and lack of water.

Miss Maudie Petts visited Mrs. Marion McGuire on Pounding Mill branch Saturday. Mrs. Phillips has as her guest her sister, Mrs. Leta Shepherd, of West Virginia.

Miss Myrtle Hoops visited relatives on Little Creek Saturday. Mr. Creig, who has blood poisoning in his hand, is much improved. Mrs. C. M. Hunter and little daughter, Charlotte, and Mrs. R. K. Gillespie, drove to Gillespie's Thursday afternoon to call on Mrs. Saunders Gillespie and stopped at the Bungalow, to visit Miss Rebecca Davis.

Squire G. R. Thomas was on Big Creek last week fixing a pension claim for James Robert Stephenson. Mr. Stephenson and his wife are each about 75 years of age. Mr. Stephenson was brought back from the Statute asylum about four months ago, where he had been for thirty years. His mind is blank concerning things that transpired during that time, but remembers distinctly happenings prior to that time. His mind is still unbalanced, which is much regretted by his friends and relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Williams were shopping in Tazewell one day this week.

G. C. and Curtis Shamblin have moved their families into the late James Williams residence, George Brewster having moved to the quarry.

LAST TAX NOTICE.

All taxes for the year 1914, in Jeffersonville District, which were placed in my hands for collection, are long past due. Please be ready to pay them off when I call on you, or I will be forced to collect by distress. I cannot wait any longer, so get busy. Yours very truly,

C. A. McGuire, D. Tr.

4-30-2ti.

NEEDLES NEEDED.

You need needles every day—can't keep house and keep the place with out them. Here they are 5 papers assorted sizes, fine silver-steel needles, and a dozen or so of large darning and carpet needles etc., all assorted sizes. They are put up on a nice folding card, enclosed in an envelope. Every subscriber who pays up and a year in advance, new or renewal, will be presented with a needle book free. This offer holds good only for the month of May. If you need needles here is your chance to lay in a supply free of cost.

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TAZEWELL PEOPLE IN FOREIGN LANDS.

Mrs. G. M. St. Clair, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Pendleton, returned to her home at Tazewell yesterday.—Marion American, April 22.

Mrs. W. B. Spratt, of Richlands, stopped over last night, on her return from Emory, where she had been visiting, and was the guest of her brother, C. Lee Richardson. She left this morning for her home.—Marion American, April 22.

NEW PASTOR SUNDAY.

Rev. R. Homer Anderson, who has recently accepted a call to become pastor of the Lutheran church here and in Burke's Garden, will preach in the Lutheran church here next Sunday morning and also in the evening at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mr. Roy Jones and sister, Miss Dot, of Gratton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Wynn Sunday.

BURKE'S GARDEN NOTES.

Burke's Garden, April 28.—Mrs. A. E. Peery, who has been very ill with rheumatism, for several weeks, is not so well today.

Mr. John D. Greever expects to spend a part of this week in Grayson county.

Miss Blanche Rhodes and Mr. A. W. Davis went to Tazewell Saturday, spent Saturday night with friends on Clear Fork and returned to the Garden yesterday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hoge, a few days ago, a fine son.

Mr. Henry Peak closed his singing school last Friday night.

Mr. C. H. Greever went to Hunting Camp today to visit his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Suiter.

We had a fine rain last Friday evening and everything is growing nicely, but grass is still very scarce.

Dr. T. E. Peery came over from Bluefield yesterday in his automobile.

Rev. Mr. Peary preached at the Glade yesterday afternoon.

Messrs. A. W. Davis and B. R. Moss are each contemplating the purchase of a Reo car.

AT SHAWVERS MILLS.

Rev. J. T. Hundley, of Lynchburg, will be with the Rev. W. S. Bullard at the Shawver Mill Christian church next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend the service.

HIGH SCHOOL TEAM LOSES TWO GAMES

Bluefield And Bramwell Take One Each, But Pocahontas Loses—Boys Showing Up Well.

The Tazewell High School boys went to Bluefield last Friday and played a game with Beaver High School boys. Although the boys lost the game, the score standing four to five in favor of Beavers, yet the home boys out-played them in every stage of the game. Two bad throws on the part of the home boys lost the game. Those two throws could hardly have been avoided, as the ground was in such a bad condition, and the ball was so wet and slick, that no one could see just how the boys threw the ball as accurately as they did under such conditions.

The game was clean in every respect, and our boys seemed pleased, though they were defeated in one of the best and hardest fought games of the season. Remember the home boys played two games with the Bluefield aggregation, winning one and losing the other. Not so bad after all, when you think about the number of boys in each school from which to select the team. The Tazewell boys are playing some ball and when they meet the Beavers again they have expressed a determination to go after them with a heavy hand.

The Tazewell boys went to Pocahontas Saturday and crossed bats with the High School team, defeating them in a ten inning game, the score standing three to four in favor of Tazewell. It was sensational from the start to finish and many fans think it was the best amateur ball ever witnessed in that town. The game closed without a dispute and our boys give the Pocahontas boys credit for playing them a good, clean game. One thing was noticeable in this game, and that was the Tazewell boys did not play with the usual vim and enthusiasm, on account of being fagged somewhat by the preceding game.

In the evening the boys played the Bramwell team on their ground, being defeated by a score of 8 to 6. In the sixth inning the boys had the score 4 to 1, but one of the Bramwell men knocked a long fly-ball to the left field, and our player, J. N. Johnson, being interrupted by an automobile coming across the field, allowed three men to score, thus giving the Bramwell boys a good start. It also seemed at about this stage of the game that our pitcher, who had been worked too hard by the previous games, had grown somewhat weak. For that reason they allowed the Bramwell boys several hits.

It was a good game, but not such a one as the previous ones and if our boys could or had gone on the diamond fresh, I am satisfied it would have been an easy victory. G.

LICENSES GRANTED.

Judge Fulton Kogley held a special term of court here Tuesday for the purpose of passing on the liquor licenses granted by the council of Pocahontas at a recent meeting. Only a few of the applicants were present. The following licenses were granted, and license have been issued by Clerk Greever for a year from the first day of May:

Max Goodman, Lazarus and Company, Harry M. Matz Company, B. M. Cohen Company, Samuel G. Walker & Co., Big Four Distilling Company, Nathan Marks, Kaufman Liquor Company, Pocahontas Liquor Co., Samuel L. Matz Co., Elkhorn Liquor Co., H. J. Ferrimer, Max Davis, J. I. Kwass Company, H. Milner and Company, Kwass Brothers, and J. E. Adams.

LESLIE-GARD.

Miss Lelia Isabelle Leslie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Leslie and Mr. Hermon Yancey Gard, of St. Joseph, Mo., were married on Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, at the bride's home on Tazewell avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. H. Campbell, pastor of the Baptist church. There were no invitations issued. The ceremony was witnessed by quite a number of intimate friends of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gard left on the 6:30 train for a tour of western cities. They will make their home at Decatur, Ill.

LIFE AT SPRINGVILLE.

Springville, April 28.—The farmers are busy planting corn. Oats up nicely, wheat looking fine, orchards in full bloom, gardens are putting out and everything in fine shape.
Mr. Nell is able to be out again, after being badly crippled up.
Miss Iva Deaton is back home from Wise, where she taught school the past session.
Our Sunday School is progressing nicely.
Miss Mae Powers has returned from a pleasant visit to Falls Mills.
Kelly Harman and Miss Lula Deak, of Bluefield, were the guests of Mr. W. A. Powers last Sunday.

Mr. E. F. Witten has recently returned from Hot Springs, where he was much benefited.

Rev. D. P. Hurley is ill at his home on Tazewell avenue.

CAPT. HENRY BOWEN DIED YESTERDAY



Widely Known Citizen and Farmer Expired After Many Years Illness—Funeral and Burial Services This Afternoon.

Even a pastoral visit to our friend, John Hopkins failed to throw any light on the tragic end of that joy ride, except in a few "minor particulars," he tells the same old "story." He's told it so often that he believes it himself, notwithstanding five others contradict him in every particular, except that they all stop in the same neighborhood, and about the same time.

All our industries are running on full time, and our local and neighboring candidates are running all the time. Two of them running for the same office, on opposite tickets, lost an hour trying each to persuade the other to vote for him, and through a lightning flash revealed their identity. (You know our street lights are on strike.) Then they rode on into the night.

Speaking of lights, the "anti-co-ordination" party are making an effort to get special meeting here, (some dark night) and inaugurate a move in the "Twin City Board of Trade" for a commission form of government to cover both towns. They think this may save in salaries and possibly in funeral expenses. The meeting will be called on Tuesday after the first dark moon at early candle light. JOHN.

NEWS OF STEELBURG.

Steelburg, Va., April 28.—We had a good shower of rain last night, which was badly needed.

Most everybody in the community is busy planting corn.

Mr. Robert Steele, who has been ill for a long time, remains in about the same condition.

Mr. Joseph McGuire wears the biggest smile of any one in the neighborhood—a boy arrived at his home a few days ago.

Mr. Irvin Steele returned this a. m. to his position on the train after spending a few days with his parents here.

Dr. W. E. Bundy and Dr. Archie Graham were guests of W. C. Witten Tuesday.

Mr. S. S. Steele, of Catlett and A. L. Steele, of Lexington, who were called here on account of the illness of their father, Robert Steele, returned to their homes last week.

A house on the land of L. D. Ball, occupied by George West, was burned last Saturday night with all of its contents.

W. C. Witten, who has been confined to his home for about eleven months, was able to take an automobile ride Tuesday.

Mrs. George Oney and Mrs. A. W. Griffiths and daughter, Miss Myrtle, motored to Richlands Saturday afternoon.

Sunday School will be organized here next Sunday afternoon.

HOW DO THE FIGURES STAND?

Opposite the label and your name on this paper are the figures showing the date, of the month and year your subscription is paid to. Please run your eye over these dates, and if you owe us please pay us. We want to close the month of May with a clean, paid up list, as we start out on the 19th year of our work. You are going to pay up, of course, and we would appreciate it most highly if you do so now. Besides, during the month of May we offer the nice needle case as a premium. "Eventually, why not now?"

FUNERAL AND BURIAL TODAY.

Funeral services will be held at the Bowen home in the Cove today at 1 o'clock, and burial will be in the old cemetery this afternoon.

ALLIGATORS AND FISH.

Mr. W. J. Harris, formerly a merchant at Horspen, in this county, but who with his wife has been in Florida the past winter, was in Tazewell last week on a visit to his old home and friends. Mrs. Harris is at her old home near Harrisonburg, where they will make their part of their time while in Florida, with Miss Crabtree, daughter of Mrs. G. S. Crabtree, of Thompson Valley, this county, who owns property near Tampa. He brings good reports from Miss Crabtree. She is doing well. Harris brought with him two live alligators, part of the snout of a sword fish, and told of course a big fish story, and states in the mean time, that this is no ananias organization in that section, of the country.

Harris has many good things to say of Florida but adds that stories told by real estate dealers and big pland companies should be carefully gone over first before making investments.

DR. GILLESPIE TO HOSPITAL.
Dr. R. B. Gillespie will leave tonight for Richmond, where he will enter the Johnston-Willis hospital for a two or three weeks treatment.